


Jefferson's objections do not meaningfully address the M&R. Because there is no clear error

on the face of the record, the court accepts the recommendations in the M&R.

Alternatively, the court overrules Jefferson's objections. Jefferson's challenge to a state child support order is not cognizable under section 2254. See Jones v. Cunningham, 371 U.S. 236, 237-40 (1963); Wilson v. Flaherty, 689 F.3d 332, 339 (4th Cir. 2012); Sevier v. Turner, 742 F.2d 262, 268-69 (6th Cir. 1984); Mitchell v. Chapman, No. 3:10CV577, 2011 WL 577018, at *2 (W.D.N.C. Feb. 8, 2011) (unpublished).

In sum, the court ADOPTS the conclusions in the M&R [D.E. 5], OVERRULES Jefferson's objections [D.E. 6, 7], and DISMISSES Jefferson's petition for failure to state a claim. The court DENIES a certificate of appealability. See 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c); Miller-El v. Cockrell, 537 U.S. 322, 336-38 (2003); Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 483-84 (2000). The clerk shall close the case.

SO ORDERED. This 1 day of May 2019.


JAMES C. DEVER III
United States District Judge